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## DAILY THOUGHT.

Luck has no place in the vocabulary  
of the earnest young people of today,  
except as you place a "P" before it  
and spell it "pluck."

—Lewis.

## THE WEATHER.

Fair tonight and Thursday.

## FACTS ABOUT THE HOSE DEAL.

The hose deal has probably been  
made, although it is not yet settled,  
owing to the fact that the guarantee  
exact by the city has not yet been  
signed. The contract is probably in  
most ways not near so satisfactory as  
would have been the one with the Na-  
tional India Rubber company, which  
the city broke. In that deal the city  
was to pay \$2,625 for 2,500 feet of  
rubber hose, guaranteed to stand a 400  
pound pressure for five years, which  
would make them as good as new or  
insure the city new hose, at the end of  
that time. As a result of its present  
deal the city gets the worst of the  
bargain. It was made necessary, on  
account of the delay occasioned by the  
cancellation of the other order, to  
purchase emergency hose, which  
has not yet arrived. The city bought  
1,000 feet of the hose at 81 cents, a  
total of \$810. The committee subse-  
quently decided to purchase cotton  
hose, and at 49 cents had to order 4,000  
feet or double the quantity of rub-  
ber hose, making the cost of this hose  
\$1,960. It is therefore seen that the  
city, instead of buying the 2,500 feet  
of rubber hose and paying \$2,625 for  
it, has had to pay \$2,770 for 4,000 feet  
of cotton hose and 1,000 feet of rubber  
hose, and its guarantee is not so good.

The cotton hose is acknowledged to  
be inferior to the rubber hose, and  
the guarantee for a 400 pound pres-  
sure is only on delivery, and after  
that it is required to stand only the  
fire pressure, which is 100 pounds,  
never over Supt. Muscoe Burnett  
states, as men cannot handle a  
stream when the pressure is strong-  
er. The city has more hose, it is true,  
but only half of the cotton hose can be  
in use at a time, which is why it be-  
came necessary to purchase double the  
amount that would have had to be  
bought had rubber hose been selected.  
It is clear that with the 5,000 feet  
of new hose bought only 3,000 feet  
of it can be used at one time, the  
1,000 feet of rubber hose bought at  
81 cents, and 2,000 feet of the cot-  
ton hose at 49 cents, thus giving the  
city 3,000 feet of available hose, at a  
cost of \$2,770, with a guarantee that

In a little while the first firm will  
soon be far ahead of orders, carrying  
finished goods into the next year,  
while their competitors have orders in  
advance. In the second case times  
will always be dull and expense will  
eat up profits. What each needs is  
additional business. Here is a key-  
note of success in the opening sen-  
tences in an advertisement of a Chi-  
cago department store:

is not so long as the one they got with  
the \$1.05 hose, and not near so good,  
as after delivery the pressure it will  
have to stand will be only 100 pounds  
for four years, instead of 400 pounds  
for five years, which was the agree-  
ment with the \$1.05 purchase. In  
addition to the above the city has,  
on account of the countermanding of  
the first order, been without fire  
hose, practically, for several weeks,  
where she would have had it had  
the first contract been filled, thus  
endangering all the property in the  
city and possibly causing some of  
the fire loss during the past three  
or four weeks. And at present she  
is still without hose, and it is by  
no means certain that the company  
to which was let the contract last  
night will sign the agreement for-  
warded, in which event the whole  
proceedings will have to be gone  
over again, and the city remain with-  
out fire hose indefinitely. You can  
juggle with figures and facts, but you  
can't change them.

The intelligent voters of this coun-  
try are not to be fooled on the tariff  
question. The man who is to be pro-  
tected by tariff is the man who pro-  
duces, the laboring man, and the man  
who enables him to produce, the man  
of management and capital. The  
farmer raises all he needs and does not  
require legislation so much as the con-  
gested myriads of city toilers, who  
instead of raising food, must work to  
earn money with which to purchase it  
and the other necessities of life. The  
question with the worker in the city  
is not so much what he is to pay for  
an article as where he is going to get  
something with which to pay for it.  
It would make no difference to him  
whether he had to pay 50 cents for a  
hat without tariff, or a dollar with  
tariff, if he had nothing with which  
to buy it. He must work for the 50  
cents or the dollar, and the demand  
for his work would depend on the de-  
mand for whatever he made. This de-  
mand is increased by shutting out  
cheap goods from Europe, and to  
shut them out is the object of the  
tariff—a measure or principle that  
helps the manufacturer, and through  
him the working man. The Democrats  
cannot fool the intelligent voter on the  
tariff.

"I'll bet the Democrats have lost a  
thousand votes in Paducah in the past  
six months by the way they have been  
acting in the management of city  
affairs," declared a prominent Demo-  
crat yesterday. "They'll have to  
change the quality of their candidates  
hereafter if I vote the ticket again." This  
feeling seems to be general  
throughout the city. There is univer-  
sal disgust everywhere. The people  
are not too exacting, but on the con-  
trary are charitable and willing to  
make all allowances when people do  
their best. They do not believe that  
the officers are doing the best they  
can, or want to do the best they can.  
They have never made any effort to  
do so, and as long as the public has  
indisputable evidence to this effect its  
disgust will continue to grow.

If the present hose contract is filled  
and the emergency hose is accepted,  
Paducah will have 5,000 feet of fire  
hose costing \$2,770. As half of the  
cotton hose has to dry out while the  
other is in use, only 2,000 feet will  
usually be available for service, giv-  
ing the city 3,000 feet of hose to use  
at a cost of \$2,770, instead of 2,500  
feet at \$2,625, guaranteed to stand a  
four hundred pound pressure for five  
years. The new hose is guaranteed to  
stand a pressure of hundred pounds  
for four years only. Thus are the busi-  
ness methods of the administration.

Primary elections in New Jersey  
last only three hours, and yet one at  
Camden Monday resulted in a riot,  
one murder and several injuries. Evi-  
dently it is very good for the people  
there that their elections do not last  
as long as ours do here in Kentucky,  
where we hold forth all day—and  
fight all day too, if necessary, some-  
times.

It begins to look as if with the  
country juries that are imported to try  
the railroad condemnation suits, the  
railroad is going to get beautifully  
skinned. The farmers seem disposed  
to give the property owners whatever

they want, instead of what the prop-  
erty is reasonably worth.

It is announced that the gover-  
nor offered a reward of \$200 for one  
Mayfield man, and \$100 for another,  
both having broken jail. If this is  
true, it indicates that Graves county  
is still working its graft on the state.

"Don't shoot the fiddler. He's do-  
ing his damndest" may be a pretty  
good motto to hang over the council  
chamber, but the people do not seem  
to fully appreciate "his damndest."

Paducah will probably get her new  
fire hose about the same time the  
Levy habeas corpus case is tried. It is  
to be hoped we will all still be here  
then.

The Democratic appellate conven-  
tion has been over a week now, but  
there are a whole lot of fellows who  
will be sore over it for a long time yet.

The public printing job seems to  
be a mantle of charity that covers a  
multitude of councilmanic sins.

## SAID HE WAS TRACY.

AND OFFICERS FIXED HIM SO  
HE COULDN'T BE IDENTI-  
FIED BY FRIENDS.

Seattle, Wash., July 30—William  
Nixon tried to win a woman's con-  
fidence in the guise of outlaw Tracy  
and is nearly dead as a result of his  
act. He told an actress in a music  
hall that he was none other than the  
desperado, and threatened her life if  
she told. Later, when he re-entered  
the theatre, he was attacked by a  
policeman and the proprietor, Joe Wil-  
liams, a brother of Deputy Sheriff  
Jack Williams, who was wounded in a  
battle with Tracy at Bothell July 3.  
He was pounded into insensibility, and  
has not fully regained his faculties yet.

The mistake was discovered when  
the man's features were compared  
with a photograph at police headquar-  
ters. It is almost a miracle that the  
policeman did not shoot first and in-  
vestigate afterward, as he was told  
positively that the man was Tracy,  
and a reward of nearly \$7,000 is  
offered for the desperado, dead or  
alive.

## CAPT. WILD.

REPRIMAND OF GEN. CHAFFEE  
RECEIVED AT WASHINGTON.

Washington, July 30—The action of  
General Chaffee in reprimanding Cap-  
tain Frederick S. Wild, Thirteenth in-  
fantry, upon the sentence of a court  
martial, has been received at the war  
department. Captain Wild was in  
command at Lingayan, where a cock-  
pit was burned, two soldiers of the  
command having been previously  
stabbed in the cockpit. It was gen-  
erally understood that the cockpit was  
burned by the soldiers in revenge. It  
was brought out in the testimony  
that Captain Wild had been requested  
by the civil authorities to place a  
guard over the property after the first  
attack and failed to do so, and a sec-  
ond attempt at burning resulted in its  
destruction.

## \$2,000 DAMAGES

SUIT TO BE FILED FOR DAM-  
AGES TO THE REGISTER.

Attorneys Hendrick and Miller ex-  
pect to this afternoon file a suit  
against Mr. Joseph Friedman for  
\$2,000 damages.

Last winter the defendant had the  
roof taken off the building occupied by  
the Register in order to make an addi-  
tional story, and during that time rain  
came and drenched the contents of the  
Register Publishing company, which  
occupies a part of that building. For  
the damage to the press, type and ma-  
chines, and also to the paper and other  
equipments, the plaintiff asks \$2,000.

## TRYING TO GET BOND.

W. E. Padgett is today attempting  
to make another bond, but at press  
time he had not succeeded. He has  
secured the promise of several of his  
friends to sign the bond, but only one,  
a Mr. Sellers, had appeared and affix-  
ed his name to the bond.

## CONSULS THREATENED

Cape. Haytien is Reported Held by  
a Mob.

A Bombardment Is Feared, and Pre-  
cautions Taken for Protection.

Washington, July 30—Commander  
Henry McCrea, commanding the Ma-  
chias, cabled the navy department to-  
day that Cape Haytien was in the  
hands of a mob, that the foreign con-  
suls had been threatened, that he had  
offered them protection on board the  
Machias, and that he had forbidden  
the rebels to bombard the city with-  
out due notice.

This situation was at once commu-  
nicated to the state department by the  
bureau of navigation. Commander  
McCrea's acts were approved by the  
state department, and he will, to the  
extent of his ability, see that the  
American citizens in Cape Haytien are  
protected, and that there shall be no  
indiscriminate shooting by Admiral  
Killick's little gunboats into the city.

Admiral Killick has been deca-  
red a pirate by the acting president of Hay-  
ti, and he has also informed all na-  
tions.

Admiral Killick has with him or  
has sent to Cape Haytien probably two  
or three light draught gunboats, for  
which the Machias alone is a match.  
The Machias is of 1,177 tons burden  
and carries eight guns in her main  
battery. She has a steel hull and  
could, unaided, blow the "pirate  
fleet" out of the water.

The fact that McCrea has cabled  
that he intended to prevent a bombard-  
ment shows that a bombardment has  
been anticipated without the notice  
to non-combatants. Killick would  
be dealt with severely if he carried  
out his threat. Admiral Killick is  
co-operating with Gen. Firmin, the  
revolutionary leader, who is march-  
ing on Port Au Prince, where there  
is another crisis. A part of Fir-  
min's forces are approaching Cape  
Haytien.

The Machias apparently arrived  
during an emergency. Had other ves-  
sels been there it would not have been  
necessary for Commander McCrea to  
offer asylum to foreign consuls of all  
nations. It is believed that the con-  
suls have cabled the nearest stations  
for aid. There is a French cruiser at  
Port Au Prince, and the nearest Ger-  
man and English vessels are said to  
be at LaGuaira and Kingston respec-  
tively.

While Commander McCrea can  
stop the naval bombardment, it is not  
clear what he could do with the land  
bombardment and the anarchy in the  
city. The belief here is, how-  
ever, that if he received a call from  
the city he would not hesitate to take  
his ship in and land all the force he  
could spare for the protection of the  
white people of the city. He would  
do this without waiting orders from  
Washington.

## MANY SHOTS

GANG OF RIVER THIEVES CAP-  
TURED YESTERDAY.

Metropolis, Ill., July 30—A band  
of river thieves who have been operat-  
ing all along the Ohio river for weeks  
and taking everything in the way of boats  
and rafting equipment which they  
could find, were captured near here  
yesterday afternoon hidden in a clump  
of willows near the edge of an island.

A yellow skiff which they had not  
entirely hidden disclosed their hiding  
place. They made a bold resistance  
and several shots were exchanged be-  
tween them and their captors. They  
are now in jail awaiting the action of  
the grand jury.

This is the gang Henry Henderson,  
held here today, is supposed to belong  
to.

What Once a Lumber Merchant  
In 1892 he was a member of the  
board of directors of the  
Metropolis National Bank  
and was a member of the  
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Metropolis National Bank

## A MONSTER TRUST

The Great Oil Interests Reported to  
be Consolidated.

Rockefeller and Nobel Have Allied  
Themselves With the House  
of Rothschilds.

## NO PUBLICITY WAS AROUSED

London, July 30—In its issue this  
morning the Daily Mail declares there  
is no longer any doubt that the three  
monster coal oil interests of Rocke-  
feller, Rothschild, and Nobel have  
entered into a working agreement.  
"Thus," says the paper, "without any  
publicity the greatest trust the world  
has ever seen has sprung into being."

This combination, says the paper,  
has been hinted at in messages from  
Batoum and Moscow, and it has been  
more clearly shown in the offers made  
to Russian oil exporters by representa-  
tives of the Nobel and Rothschilds' interests for the absorption of the  
whole of their output. The exporters  
have been forbidden to sell through  
the agencies of these interests at a  
price arranged by them, or to fight the  
combined forces of the three oil  
grants.

This offer was made openly and  
with the idea of maintaining prices,  
and it has been refused, the Russian  
exporters preferring to fight. It was  
doubtless this combine, continues the  
Daily Mail, which induced the Rus-  
sian government to issue invitations  
to an anti-trust conference.

## TO INVESTIGATE

Board of Aldermen Meet Tonight at  
City Hall.

Will Air the Charges Against the  
Matron of the City Hospital.

The board of aldermen will meet  
tonight at the city hall to investigate  
the charges against Mrs. Sarah Bir-  
chett, keeper of the city hospital.

"The meeting will be a regular  
trial," one of the aldermen said this  
morning, "and if the charges prove  
true, then she will of course be dis-  
charged from her position. We will  
hear all evidence regarding the case  
and if she brings any charges against  
any other officer in the employ of  
the city, then those charges will  
be investigated the same as those  
against her. The matter will be  
thoroughly aired and we intend to sift  
things to the very bottom."

When asked if there were any ap-  
plicants for the position he said that  
"officially" there were none, but  
that the place would not go vacant  
long in case the present keeper was  
discharged.

There will be a number of persons  
present to hear the investigation who  
are not directly interested in the  
matter and the result will be watched  
with much interest.

## JENKINS IS LOCATED.

James Jenkins, the young stock  
broker who left the city last week for  
parts unknown after suddenly closing  
out his business here, has been lo-  
cated. It is said that he is running an  
office in Tiffin, O., and also another  
in Missouri. No effort has been made  
to apprehend him by the local dealers  
who bought stock in his office. He is  
alleged to have skinned them before,  
and they didn't know when they had  
enough.

## H. C. GRAY DROPS DEAD.

Clarksville, Tenn., July 30—H. C.  
Gray, aged 53 years, a prominent far-  
mer of the Big Pond neighborhood of  
Todd county, Ky., dropped dead  
from heart trouble. He was a mem-  
ber of the Methodist church and  
leaves a wife and seven children.

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## EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENTS

Palmer House Being Liberally Sup-  
plied With Them.

Old Standard Office Building to be Re-  
modeled—Laundry Contract.

Extensive improvements are being  
made on the Palmer house. The top  
floor is being supplied with new car-  
pets throughout, and the entire house,  
where it is needed, is being papered.

A new floor is being placed in the  
dining room, and also in the billiard  
room, the latter to receive a number  
of other improvements when the floor  
is in. The steel ceiling is to be re-  
paired and repainted, and when com-  
pleted the changes will have cost over  
\$1,000. It is expected to finish the  
work in a few days.

Contractor George Ingram will in a  
few days begin the work of remodel-  
ing the old Standard office building on  
North Fourth street between Broad-  
way and Jefferson. A new pressed  
brick front will be placed in, new tile  
floor and it will be made into a mod-  
ern building, the cost to be nearly \$3,000.  
It is owned by Mr. Adolph  
Weil, and McNulty Brothers will con-  
tinue to occupy it.

The new laundry company expects  
to let the contract for its new build-  
ing this evening. The structure will  
be erected at Fifth and Jefferson and  
will cost several thousand dollars.

## PINCKNEY BACK

The First Thing He Did Was to Get  
Into Jail.

Henderson Held and Will Return to  
Illinois Without a Requisition.

Judge Sanders had only three cases  
to try this morning and disposed of  
the business in short order.

Pinckney Childers, white, who had  
been absent from the city since the  
sleet storm last winter, turned up and  
was last night arrested on a petty lar-  
ceny charge brought against him at  
the time he skipped out by a man  
named Berger, residing on North  
Sixth street. Berger claimed that  
Childers stole some furniture from  
him and the warrant had been in  
the hands of the officers waiting to  
be served since that time. He was  
held to await the action of the grand  
jury in September.

Henry Henderson, the white river  
man arrested Saturday on a grand lar-  
ceny charge, was held over and will  
be returned to Illinois without a re-  
quisition. He is charged with stealing  
a skiff and a lot of junk at Metropoli-  
s and other landings along the river.  
He agreed to return without a re-  
quisition. The police think they have  
caught a river pirate of the worst  
type.

John Britton, white, was fined \$1  
and costs for drunkenness.

## ROTTGERING CASE

ANOTHER RAILROAD TRIAL IN  
PROGRESS TODAY.

The condemnation suit of W. H.  
Rottgering is on trial today before  
County Judge Lightfoot.

The commissioners appraised his  
property at \$1,500, but he wants  
\$4,500. There are many witnesses in  
the case and all sorts of profile draw-  
ings are being used. The railroad  
suits are all carefully conducted and  
every detail, no matter how small, is  
brought out, which takes a great deal  
of time and makes the cases very ted-  
ious.

## The Hand of Fate.

People who think that they see the  
hand of fate in everything that hap-  
pens are surprised when they find out  
that it is only their own hand under  
all of which they have been submis-  
sively standing in awe. Our fate is  
largely what we ourselves make it.